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1. THE FOLLOWING ITEMS OF MAJOR SIGNIFICANCE DERIVED

MISSION 8005 SUBMITTED TO [REDACTED] 18 DECEMBER 1959.

a. THE MAJOR RESULT OF THE MISSION WAS THE DISCOVERY OF THE UNEXPECTEDLY LARGE EXPANSION OF LAUNCH FACILITIES IN KAPUSTIN YAR-VLADIMIROVKA BALLISTIC MISSILE RANGE-HEAD AREAS WITH EVIDENCE OF THE CONCURRENT DEVELOPMENT OF MISSILES, SUPPORT EQUIPMENT AND TROOP TRAINING. THIS APPROACH PERMITS THE SOVIETS TO GET MISSILES INTO OPERATIONAL USE WITHOUT WAITING FOR THE COMPLETION OF SUCCESSIVE STAGES OF THE PROGRAM. THE NEW FACILITIES ARE EXCLUSIVELY ROAD-SUPPORTED, WHEREAS WE HAD EXPECTED TO SEE FURTHER EVIDENCE OF RAIL SUPPORT FOR THE 1,100

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- b. NO EVIDENCE WAS DISCOVERED CONCERNING THE OPERATIONAL DEPLOYMENT OF SOVIET ICBM's.
- c. OUR ESTIMATE OF HEAVY BOMBER STRENGTH AT A MAJOR SOVIET LONG RANGE AIR-ARMY FIELD WAS CONFIRMED. THERE IS EVIDENCE AT ANOTHER FIELD, HOWEVER, THAT THE SOVIETS MAY BE MODIFYING SOME OF THEIR BEAR HEAVY BOMBERS FOR A TRANSPORT ROLE.
- d. NO NEW PROTOTYPE HEAVY BOMBER WAS DISCOVERED.
- e. 16 ADDITIONAL SURFACE-TO-AIR-MISSILE SITES INTENDED FOR OPERATIONAL USE WERE FOUND IN VARIOUS STAGES OF COMPLETION. THIS, IN ADDITION TO THE 21 DISCOVERED ON THE PREVIOUS MISSION, INDICATES THAT THE SOVIETS INTEND TO USE THIS SYSTEM EXTENSIVELY THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND DO NOT INTEND TO CONFINE IT TO A LIMITED NUMBER OF KEY INDUSTRIAL AREAS.
- f. INFORMATION ON NUCLEAR STORAGE SITES AT THE

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SARATOV-ENGELS AIRFIELD WILL PERMIT FURTHER REFINEMENTS IN SAC TARGETING FOR THIS KEY BOMBER BASE.

h. OUR ESTIMATE OF SOVIET INDUSTRIAL STRENGTH IN THE AREA WAS GENERALLY CONFIRMED, BUT SIGNIFICANT DETAIL WAS ADDED CONCERNING THE EXPANSION OF VARIOUS INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES.

2. SINCE PREPARATION ABOVE HAVE DISCOVERED 4 MORE SAMS AND TOTAL 11 SAM SUPPORT AREAS.

END OF MESSAGE

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